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TO: School District Superintendents
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FROM: Victoria Leshar, Literacy Consultant
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SUBJECT: Literacy Summit featuring Kylene Beers and Robert Probst

INFORMATION TO SHARE

Kylene Beers and Robert Probst, leaders in adolescent literacy research, will be the keynote speakers at the October 20th Literacy Summit being held in Casper, Wyoming. Beers and Probst will also lead breakout sessions in the afternoon.

The Summit is open to all Wyoming elementary and secondary teachers and administrators. Home school, private school, and institutional school personnel are also welcome.

Beers is the author of the best-selling *When Kids Can't Read/ What Teachers Can Do*, and co-editor of *Adolescent Literacy: Turning Promise into Practice*.

Probst is Professor Emeritus of English Education at Georgia State University. His publications include numerous articles in *English Journal*, *Voices from the Middle*, and professional texts including *Adolescent Literacy: Turning Promise into Practice*.

Beers and Probst are co-authors of the forthcoming Heinemann book *Notice and Note: Strategies for Close Reading*.

The Literacy Summit will be held at Kelly Walsh High School from 8:30 AM – 4:00 PM. PTSB credit will be available. Lunch will be provided.

To register, go to edu.wyoming.gov/register. Please contact Tori Leshar at tori.lesher@wyo.gov or 307-777-7720 if you have any questions.